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CONTAINING GRAPHITE AND CARRIER  
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Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

In view of the Official Action dated February 21, 2006 and communications with Examiner Philip Tucker, please amend the above-identified application as follows:



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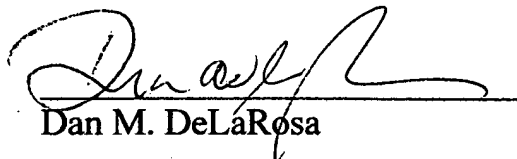
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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: April 7, 2006

  
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